DRAFT SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2009/2010 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN (2010 – 2015) PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ANNOUNCEMENT

The State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department), is soliciting public review and comment to the Draft Substantial Amendment of the 2009/2010 Annual Action Plan for the State of California's Consolidated Plan FY 2010-2015 (Substantial Amendment). The Substantial Amendment is a result of Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 (NSP3) funding provided under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act) of 2010. The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to administer the NSP3 funds. In accordance with HUD guidelines, the Substantial Amendment must be published for no less than 15 calendar days for public comment before it is submitted to HUD by the March 1, 2011 deadline.

The State of California's allocation under NSP3 is \$7,777,019. The State will apply for the total allocation and any additional funding that may become available under NSP3. The NSP3 funds will be used to acquire and rehabilitate foreclosed homes for rental housing in the areas of greatest need.

The public comment period will begin Thursday, February 10, 2011 and end on Friday, February 25, 2011. The Draft Substantial Amendment of the 2009/2010 Annual Action Plan for the State of California's Consolidated Plan FY 2010-2015 will be available for public review on the Department's website: www.hcd.ca.gov, or at the Department's Community Development Block Grant Program in Suite 330. A public hearing will be held on February 22, 2011, from 3:00pm – 4:00pm, at the City of Coachella City Hall, 1515 Sixth Street, Coachella, CA and February 24, 2011, from 12:00pm (noon) – 1:00pm, at 1800 third Street, California Room (#470), Sacramento, CA.

If you have questions or are in need of translators or special services, please contact the Department's Community Block Grant Program at (916) 552-9398. Please advise the Department within five working days prior to the scheduled hearing in order to facilitate a request for translator or special services needs.

This proposal has been determined EXEMPT from CEQA (Public Resources Code Section 21080.10(b)) and CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED from NEPA (Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations 50.20(o)(2)).